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ER 235305330US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. Mail Stop Patent Application APPLICATION ELEMENTS ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria VA 22313-1450 5 1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 3. D Specification [Total Pages_ Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) Descriptive title of the invention Specification Sequence Listing on: Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix Background of the Invention Paper - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Statements verifying identity of above copies - Detailed Description - Claim(s) **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS** - Abstract of the Disclosure 9. L Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 12 10. Power of 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) Attomey 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) Information Disclosure Copies of IDS Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) **Preliminary Amendment** (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 6. **V** or its equivalent. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. Other: 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Prior application information: Examiner For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS **Customer Number:** OR Correspondence address below Name Address Citv State Zip Code Country Telephone 845-2643 Fax Name (Print/Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Signature

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